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DELIVERY TO CELLS

AMENDMENT UNDER 37 CFR §1.111

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Dear Sir:

This amendment is submitted in response to the Office Action of July 28, 2004, the telephonic interview of November 18, and the Notice of Non-Compliant Amendment dated December 10, 2004, please amend this application as follows:

IN THE CLAIMS

Claims 1-29 (canceled)

Claim 30 (previously presented) A method for enhancing delivery of oxygen to a tissue, comprising administering to said tissue a nicotinic acid alkyl ester containing composition, wherein the alkyl group of said nicotinic acid alkyl ester consists of from 8 to 10 carbon atoms, wherein said composition contains from about 0.05%

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